

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE

December 15, 2000

H.R. 4827 Enhanced Federal Security Act of 2000

As cleared by the Congress on December 6, 2000

Enacting this legislation could affect direct spending and receipts that result from the collection of criminal penalties, but CBO estimates that any such effects would not be significant.

H.R. 4827 would establish new federal crimes relating to unauthorized entry on federal properties or airports and misuse of police badges. Because those prosecuted and convicted under H.R. 4827 could be subject to criminal fines, the government might collect additional fines if this legislation is enacted. Collections of such fines are recorded in the budget as governmental receipts (i.e., revenues), which are deposited in the Crime Victims Fund and spent in subsequent years. Any additional collections from enacting H.R. 4827 are likely to be negligible because of the small number of cases involved. Because any increase in direct spending would equal the fines collected (with a lag of one year or more), the additional direct spending also would be negligible.

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